(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a company not included in the short-list has been given a letter of intent;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether any import content has been allowed; and

(f) what are the proposals for indigenisation in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) and (b) Letters of Intent for the manufacture of VCRs/VCPs have been issued to three parties in private sector—M/s Bharat Forege Co. Ltd. Shri P.K.N.L. Dhoot (M/s Videocon International Ltd.) and M/s BPL Sanyo Ltd. It has also been decided to issue a Letter of Intent to one party in the public sector.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The question of giving the Letter of Intent for VCR/VCP manufacturing was considered by the Government and it was decided that in giving the Letters of Intent, the companies which already hold Letter of Intent for the manufacture of Video tape deck mechanism and who have invested for the implementation of that project will also be considered for issue of Letter of Intent/SIA registration in order to ensure that investment they made in the VTDM do not become infructuous since video tape deck mechanism constitute the major part of the VCR technology. A committee was constituted to look into the actual investment made by he companies who hold the letters of intent/registration foreign collaboration approvals and on that basis letter of intent was issued to one of the companies viz. BPL Sanyo Ltd. who had taken effective steps for implementation of their video tape deck mechanism proposal. The letter of intent issued to M/s Videocon International Ltd. (SHRI P.K.N.L. Dhoot, promoter) was also based on that criteria and not because they were included in the earlier shortlisted applications.

(e) and (f) To ensure accelerated indigenisation a phased manufacturing programme coupled with pack value of foreign exchange for imported raw materials and components for each phase has been incorporated in the Letters of intent.

Barter in electronics goods with Brazil

*239. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India and Brazil are examining a proposal for barter in electronics goods; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) and (b) There are no plans, at present, for a barter trade in electronics between India and Brazil. However, recently Government of India had deputed a high level delegation led by Shri K.P.P. Nambiar, Secretary, Department of Electronics (DOE) to Brazil to study in detail the possibility of trade and technology transfer in electronics including informatics. Secretary, DOE and the Minister for Science & Technology, Brazil signed Minutes of the Meeting held there to increase trade as well as effect technology transfer in the field of electronics including informatics between the two countries as part of the policy of increasing South-South cooperation. A detailed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is under consideration of both the sides. The Government of India is encouraging companies in this field to further trade in this area. Already, Semiconductor Complex Limited (SCL) has signed an MOU with Sid Microelectronica for export of its

chips based on 3/2 micron C MOS process technology. CMC Limited has also signed an MOU with Sid Informica on exploring the possibility of the use of its banking automation technology in India.

Talks with LTTE

*240. SHRI ALADI ARUNA alias V. ARUNACHALAM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the outcome of the recent talks held between LTTE and the Government of India;

(b) whether the Government of Sri Lanka has acceded to the demands of the LTTE; and

(c) what are the measures taken by Sri Lanka Government to settle the Sri Lankan Tamil issue to the satisfaction of LTTE?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Informal contacts were established with the LTTE during the last few months. These talks proved inconclusive and had to be suspended due to the continuing recalcitrance of the LTTE, as reflected in their statements of July 9, July 13 and July 28.

(b) and (c) The Government of Sri Lanka have cooperated in implementing most of the provisions of the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement. This Agreement was finalised after consultations with all the Sri Lankan Tamil groups, including the LTTE, since it meets all the legitimate aspirations of the Tamil citizens of Sri Lanka and has to be implemented for their good.

Mobilisation of resources

@2010. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount of resources mobilised by the Central Government during 1985-86, 1986-87 and 1987-88 year-wise; and

(b) what is the total amount of resource mobilised by the State Governments during the same period, State-wise and year-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI) (a) and (b) A Statement giving the required information is attached.

@Previously Unstarred Question 718, transferred from the 2nd August, 1988.

Statement

Net yield estimated from Additional Resource Mobilisation during

(Rs. Crores)

	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(A) Centre	1494	2439	3081
(B) *States*			
1 Andhra Pradesh	99.99	177.55	314.76
2 Assam	..	..	4.74